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Remarks

Claims 38-49 and 68-76 are pending in the application. Claims 38-49 and 68-76 are allowed. Claim 44 is amended to correctly refer to claim 43, which provides antecedent basis for "the passage" mentioned in the claim. New dependent apparatus claims 77-78 are added, which depend from allowed base claim 38. New dependent method claims 79-80 are added, which depend from allowed base claim 68. Support for the added claims 77 and 79 is found on page 19, lines 12-19 of the application as published in WO 00/55638. Support for added claims 78 and 80 is found in the application at page 32 line 15 through page 33 line 17. No new matter is added and the amendment does not require further search.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of this amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 312. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee required for this paper, or credit any overpayment to the **Deposit Account No. Deposit Account 13-0010 (IO-1012US)**.

Respectfully submitted,

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